take to cut and remove dead trees. It is necessary to allow raiyats to remove dead or fallen trees for their use and to stir up the village officers and the Police to guard the avenue trees from being injured. Time may also be prescribed within which a raiyat is required to plant a tree in lieu of the one cut and removed by him, and a list of avenue trees the usufruct of which is being vested in the raiyats should be prepared and kept in the village or the taluk.

Reply of Government.—This is an important matter and receives particular attention. Strict orders will be issued to Deputy Commissioners on the subject.

Subject No. 161.
Abolition of fees on Honge trees.

Mr. D. Narasimhaiyya of Chamrajnagar.

Summary of discussion.—It is an immemorial privilege of the raiyats to use the 'honge' leaves of trees standing on unoccupied Government lands for manure without payment of any fee therefor. As the honge leaves have to be obtained from distant places, not to speak of the expenses incurred for lopping the leaves, it is requested that the fee ordered to be levied by Government on the said leaves may, in the interests of the raiyats, be abolished.

Reply of Government.—The existing rate of fees is not high, and cannot be abolished or reduced.

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Subject No. 162.
Privileges of Representative Assembly Members.

Mr. B. Garudachar of Shimoga.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) The Representative Assembly has been in existence for the last 19 years; and its working is being watched outside the State with interest. The privileges of the Assembly have, however, been a matter for difference of opinion. Privileges to a certain extent are granted to the members of the Legislative Councils in British India. Even these are not allowed to the Representative Assembly Members here. If Government is pleased to think we deserve enhanced privileges, they may kindly allow the same to us.

(1) Some existing rights have been taken away. For instance, Graduates of the Universities were eligible, irrespective of property qualification, for election. This was taken away by the new rules framed in 1894. It is not right and consistent to disqualify them from being elected, when they are allowed to elect others. Educated men will guide the unlettered cultivators.

(2) As a tentative measure, the votes of members may be taken when important subjects are under discussion, just as the opinion of assessors is taken in Courts.

(3) Legislative measures should be thoroughly discussed in the Assembly before being passed; and, for this purpose,

Drafts of Regulations should be circulated to members a year beforehand, except in very urgent cases, and their views ascertained; not that such views need necessarily be followed.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

Budget estimates to be furnished to Members.

Messrs. M. Venkatakrishniah, M. Anantarajaiya, N. Srikantiah, and C. Krishna Iyengar of Mysore City Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—(*b*) The Government is requested to give a copy of the State budget estimates to every Representative Member for information, a few days before the meeting.

Reply of Government.—Will be considered.

References to be furnished to Members.

Messrs. C. Srinivasa Rao of Chikmagalur, A. Annaiya Pandit and B. Garudachar.

Summary of discussion.—(*c*) Deputy Commissioners may be asked to furnish the Representative Members with such references as they may apply for, for public, not individual, purposes. In 1899 Government promised to have such requests complied with; but the order issued is to a different effect. Without references, such as estimates for works, members cannot be in a position to know the facts. If references are furnished, unnecessary questions here will be avoided.

Reply of Government.—The matter will be enquired into.

Privilege of franking covers.

Mr. M. K. Krishnamurti Rao.

Summary of discussion.—(*d*) Representative Members were hitherto allowed to send service covers addressed to Amildars. The recent orders of Government have withdrawn this concession. Such communications will have to be paid for. Some concession should be shown in the matter.

Reply of Government.—This cannot be done. This Member should have ascertained the views of other Members before bringing up this subject.

Travelling allowance to Representative Assembly Members.

Messrs. M. K. Krishnamurti Rao and B. Garudachar.

Summary of discussion.—(*e*) The Members of the Representative Assembly are not given any travelling allowance for the journey performed by them at the call of Government officers. They should be given mileage and batta as is allowed to Amildars.

Provision may be made for the payment of suitable travelling allowances to Members. For some years such allowance was given; but as it consisted only of third class Railway fare, some Members refused to accept the same and the arrangement was stopped. Members of the Imperial and Madras Legislative Councils are paid travelling allowances.

Per contra, Messrs. Srinivasa Murti of Gorur, Amble Annaiya Pandit and several others protested against the proposal, saying that the honour of being Members was enough for them, and that it was at their own request that the old arrangement was withdrawn.

Reply of Government.—Noted. This has been once decided.

Quarters for Members.

Messrs. M. Anantarajaiya and N. Srikantiah.

Summary of discussion.—(*f*) Quarters may be constructed in the Capital for Representative Members.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

Subject No. 163.
Election of Members.

Mr. M. K. Krishnamurti Rao.

Summary of discussion.—Persons paying a mohatarfa tax of Rs. 13 are eligible for being elected as Taluk Members. Thus, merchants, in most cases, have become Representative Members. Therefore Municipalities that send up Municipal Members should not be allowed to vote for the election of Taluk Members.

Reply of Government.—This subject is one which cannot be permitted to be discussed now with any advantage.

Subject No. 164.
The proceedings of the Representative Assembly.

Messrs. T. Krishna Rao of T. Narsipur Taluk and Singrachar of Kunigal Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) The printed Proceedings of the Dasara Representative Assembly may be supplied to the Members for their information and that of the raiyats whom they represent.

(*b*) Copies of Proceedings of the Dasara Representative Assembly should be supplied to the Members before the end of June following the meeting to which the Proceedings relate, so that the Representatives, after knowing the replies of Government with reference to the subjects discussed by them, may bring up in the next year's meeting only such subjects as have not been previously dealt with.

Reply of Government.—Copies are being supplied to Members now. Their issue will be expedited as far as possible.

Orders on Dasara Subjects.

Messrs. M. Anantarajaiya and N. Srikantiah of Mysore City Municipality.

(*c*) Orders passed on Dasara subjects may be published in the Gazette.

Reply of Government.—Not open to discussion. The Dasara Proceedings Book itself is published.

Subject No. 165.
Mysore Civil Service Examination.

Messrs. M. Anantarajaiya, N. Srikantiah and C. Krishniengar of Mysore City Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—The Civil Service Examination may be either abolished, or else restricted to the people of the Mysore State. Those who get through the Civil Service Examinations may be made Amildar Probationers on Rs. 100 a month, future promotions being determined by approved service.

Reply of Government.—This is a subject not open to discussion by Members.

Subject No. 166.
Departmental Competitive Examinations.

Messrs. Anantarajaiya, N. Srikantiah and C. Krishniengar.

Summary of discussion.—In filling up vacancies departmental competitive examinations should be held and the best candidates selected for the post.

Reply of Government.—This is a subject not open to discussion by Members.

Subject No. 167.
Assistant Commissioners to be appointed from among Amildars and Munsiffs.

Messrs. M. Anantarajaiya, C. Krishniengar and N. Srikantiah.

Summary of discussion.—Assistant Commissioners may be selected from among Amildars and Munsiffs of at least three years' standing.

Reply of Government.—This is a subject not open to discussion by Members.